

REMARKS

Claims 1-10 and 12-22 are all the claims pending in the application.

In the last Office Action Claims 1-10 inclusive were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Nadeau *et al.* in view of Silzer. Claim 12 was allowed and Claim 11 was objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of Claim 11 and Claim 11 has been cancelled. A set of dependent Claims 13-21 inclusive have been added which depend from allowed Claim 12 and correspond to dependent Claims 2-10 inclusive which depend from allowable Claim 1. New Claim 22 has been added which is original Claim 3 presented in independent form. Reconsideration and allowance of Claims 1-12 and 13-22 are respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

New Claim 22 is original Claim 3 presented in independent form and is specific to the fact that the two lateral uprights which are integral with the base and the end of the basket are formed with tongue and groove elements designed to engage each other as result of meshing between the comb-like formations. The tongue and groove elements include, for each upright, a pair of respectively upper and lower seats designed to house a pair of corresponding upper and lower projections of the basket. The tongue and groove elements are constituted by the seats 11 and 12 on the uprights and the objections 21 and 22 to be pending from the basket respectively.

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The Nadeau *et al.* patent and the Silzer European patent application fail to show such a tongue and groove connection and accordingly it is submitted that new Claim 22 is allowable

In summary, it is submitted that Claims 1-10 and Claims 12-22 inclusive are allowable and it is respectfully requested that these Claims be allowed and the application passed to issue forthwith.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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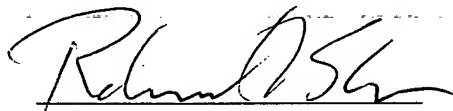
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